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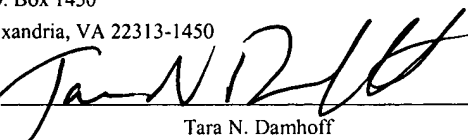
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 12, 2003. The original deadline for response was December 12, 2003. A five month petition for extension of time is enclosed, thus extending the deadline to May 12, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.